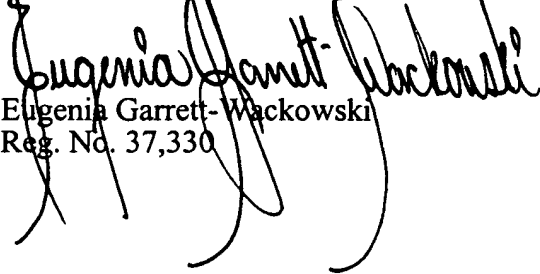


CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has any questions regarding Applicants' election, or if the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at (925) 472-5000.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the claims:

Claims 64-66 have been added as follows:

64. The method of claim 31, wherein said polypeptide further comprises an amino acid selected from the group consisting of:

(i) a valine residue at an amino acid position corresponding to amino acid position 432 of SEQ ID NO:1;

(ii) a leucine residue at an amino acid position corresponding to amino acid position 437 of SEQ ID NO:1;

(iii) an arginine residue at an amino acid position corresponding to amino acid position 444 of SEQ ID NO:1; and

(iv) a glutamine residue at an amino acid position corresponding to amino acid position 451 of SEQ ID NO:1.

65. The method of claim 64, wherein said polypeptide comprises each of the amino acids listed as (i) to (iv).

66. The method of claim 31, wherein said polypeptide comprises at least about 100 amino acids.